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**Sent:** 3/15/2012 8:18:03 PM  
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Perhaps late next week.  
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From: [timothy.gardner@thomsonreuters.com]  
Sent: 03/16/2012 12:12 AM GMT  
To: Terri-A White  
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Thanks Terri,

Any idea when we can expect the next round?

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From: Terri-A White [mailto:White.Terri-A@epamail.epa.gov]  
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To: Gardner, Timothy T. (Reuters News); Betsaida Alcantara <Alcantara.Betsaida@epamail.epa.gov>; Roy Seneca <Seneca.Roy@epamail.epa.gov>  
Subject: Re: dimmock

Tim,

Here's EPA's statement.

On Jan. 19, as a result of requests from residents and a review of the data we had in hand, EPA announced it would perform water sampling at approximately 60 homes in the Carter Road/Meshoppen Creek Road area of Dimock, Pa. to further assess whether any residents are being exposed to hazardous substances that cause health concerns.

The first round of sampling results is now available for the first 11 homes that were tested during the week of Jan. 23. Sampling results from these 11 homes did not show levels of contamination that could present a health concern. Samples from six of the 11 homes did show concentrations of sodium, methane, chromium or bacteria, but concentrations were all within the safe range for drinking water. The sampling results also identified the presence of arsenic at two homes.

Out of the 11 homes tested, there are currently three homes receiving an alternate water supply provided by EPA. EPA will continue to provide water to these homes while we perform additional sampling to ensure that the drinking water quality at these homes remains consistent and acceptable for use over time. EPA is also taking a second round of samples from the two homes where arsenic was detected, and although the levels meet drinking water standards, we will resample to better characterize the water quality of these wells. After receiving results from the second round of sampling, EPA will re-evaluate the need to continue providing an alternate water source.

EPA has offered to meet with all the residents to go over their data and answer any health-related concerns. As further quality assured data becomes available for the remaining homes, we will share with the homeowners in an expedited manner. Our actions will continue to be based on the science and the law as we work to help get a clear picture of water

quality for these homes in Dimock.

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From: [timothy.gardner@thomsonreuters.com]  
Sent: 03/15/2012 11:11 PM GMT  
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Thanks I'm all ears the industry guy is implying that this answers the whole question. But my understanding is 11 is only a fraction of the homes

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+ Roy Seneca and Terri White who can share

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From: [timothy.gardner@thomsonreuters.com]  
Sent: 03/15/2012 10:45 PM GMT  
To: Betsaida Alcantara  
Subject: Re: dimmock

Hi Betsaida, is there a statement on Dimmock?

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From: Betsaida Alcantara [mailto:Alcantara.Betsaida@epamail.epa.gov]  
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Subject: Re: Exxon comments today

**Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy**

Hi Tim,  
Adding Clark at White House Press Office since I am aware the CEO made comments about the entire administration.

From: <timothy.gardner@thomsonreuters.com>  
To: Betsaida Alcantara/DC/USEPA/US@EPA, Brendan  
Gilfillan/DC/USEPA/US@EPA  
Date: 03/09/2012 10:24 AM  
Subject: Exxon comments today

Hi Betsaida,

Wondering if EPA has any comments today about Exxon CEO Rex Tillerson saying at the big IHS CERA conference that EPA efforts on fracking are hampering state-level regulators and may be in some cases putting off Updating rules for fear they will be overruled by the federal government in upcoming years?

Thanks, Tim

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